

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)



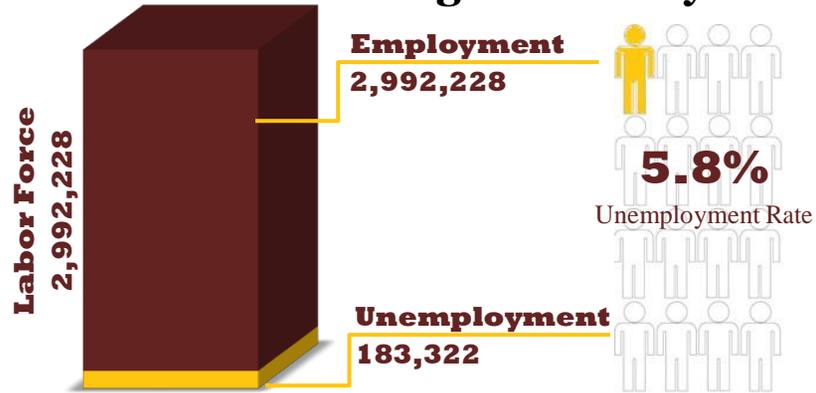
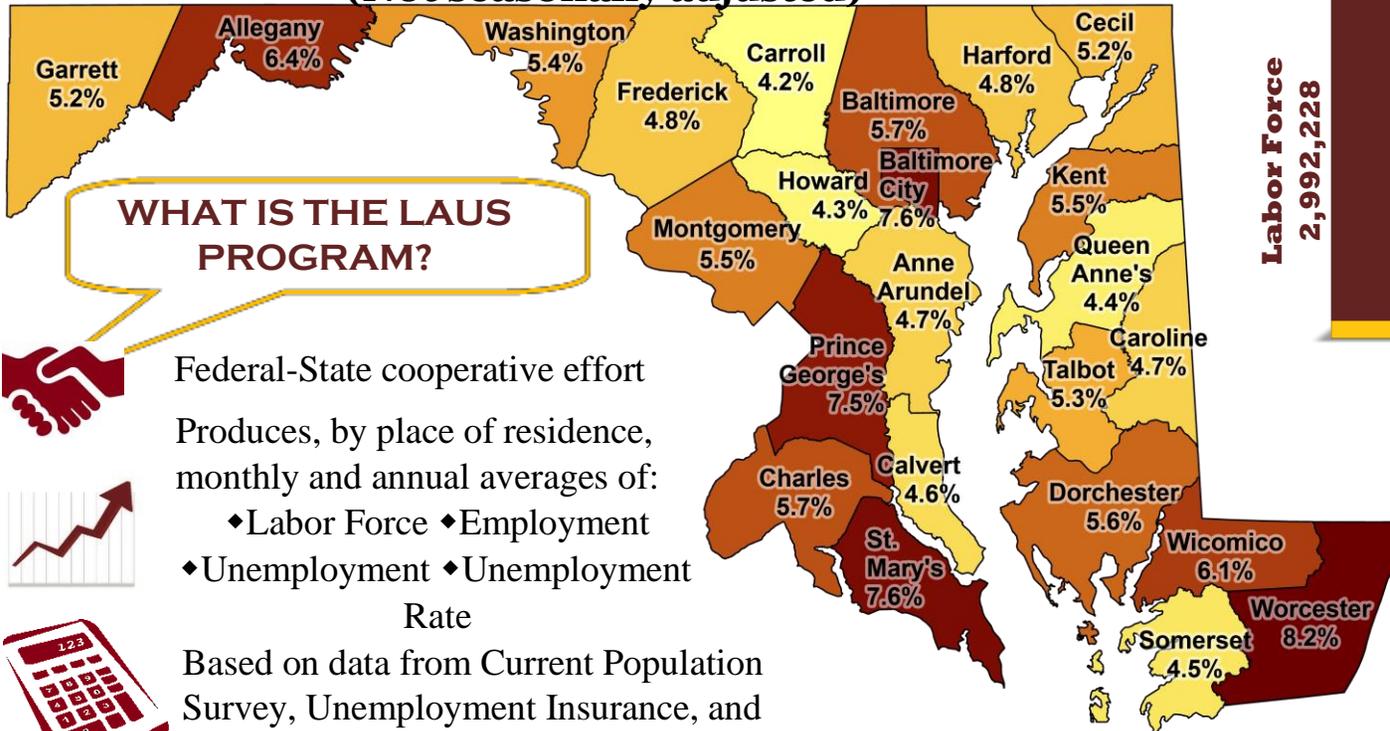
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2021 Annual Average Unemployment and Rate by County (Not seasonally adjusted)

2021 Annual Averages for Maryland



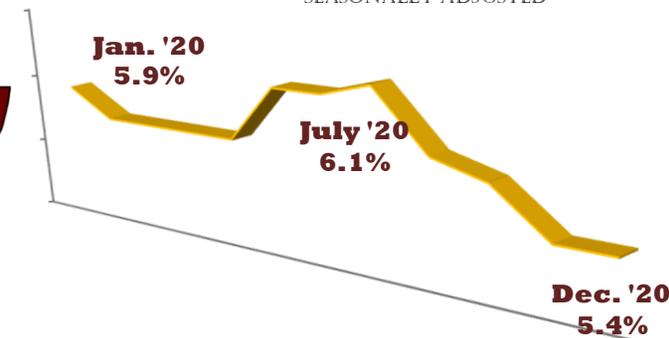
WHAT IS THE LAUS PROGRAM?



Federal-State cooperative effort
Produces, by place of residence, monthly and annual averages of:
♦ Labor Force ♦ Employment
♦ Unemployment ♦ Unemployment Rate

Based on data from Current Population Survey, Unemployment Insurance, and Current Employment Statistics

2021 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



HOW IS LAUS DATA USED?

- Federal government uses to allocate funds to states
- State and local government uses for planning
- Private sector uses data as an economic indicator
- Academics use for research

HOW CAN I USE LAUS DATA?

- Find out the unemployment rate for your county
- Compare your state or county rate to neighboring areas or to the nation
- Use in researching potential residence locations

WHERE AND WHEN CAN I GET THE DATA?

- Data is available at:
 - <http://www.labor.maryland.gov/lmi/laus>
 - <http://www.bls.gov/lau/>
- State numbers are typically released 3rd Friday of the following month with area numbers the next week.